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Re: SCP Carlstadt Site Administrative Order,
Index No. II CERCLA-50114

Dear Mr. Murphy:

This is in response to your letter dated July 12, 1989, addressed to Janet Feldstein, of my staff.

In your letter, you informed EPA that Respondents would like to revisit an alternative screened out in the Draft Feasibility Study (FS) submitted to this office in April. EPA has no objection to looking at this alternative (in-situ stabilization) in further detail. However, I request that any additional evaluations be discussed with Ms. Feldstein in advance of the submittal of the revised FS report to this office.

Your letter also states that in order to evaluate in-situ stabilization, Respondents wish to implement additional field studies to assess the rubble content of site soils, and that you have authorized this study to begin by July 15. While such an assessment may be worthwhile, you should be aware that Paragraph 28.C of the above-referenced Order requires that Respondents give EPA at least four (4) business days notice of any field work activities. In addition, EPA must arrange for Agency representatives to observe any activities undertaken pursuant to the Order. Therefore, no field work should be planned or undertaken without sufficient notice and consultation with the Agency.

Ms. Feldstein has tried to reach you by telephone on several occasions to discuss the proposals in your letter. Late on Friday, July 14th, Ms. Feldstein was informed by Jeff Simonsen, a Dames & Moore representative, that field work would be initiated on Monday, July 17th. Ms. Feldstein told Mr. Simonsen that EPA

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had not authorized any field activities, and therefore, no work should be initiated on Monday. Please contact Ms. Feldstein as soon as possible to discuss the proposed activities, and to make arrangements for EPA oversight of such activities.

Sincerely yours,

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